

REMARKS

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 2 and 4 have been amended, 2-11 and 13-25 are pending and under consideration. No new matter is included in this amendment.

Allowed claims:

Claims 2-11 and 13-25 have been allowed. This amendment is submitted to correct an error in claim 2, i.e., the location of "and" between clauses of the claim; and to clarify claim 4 by replacing a "-" symbol with the word negative, as similarly used in claim 5.

Conclusion:

It is respectfully requested that this amendment be entered. It is submitted that the amendment places the application in condition for issue.

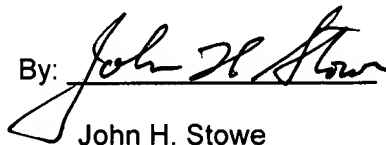
Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 503333.

Respectfully submitted,

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